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DOUGLAS v. SEACOAST PRODUCTS, INC.: THE LEGAL AND ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCES FOR THE MARYLAND OYSTERY*

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Seacoast Products was incorporated in Delaware, maintained its principal offices in New Jersey, and was qualified to do business in Virginia. **In 1973 Seacoast was sold to Hanson Trust, Ltd., a British company, whose stock was held almost entirely by aliens.** Because Seacoast was no longer owned by United States citizens, it was prohibited under Virginia law from fishing for menhaden in the bay as well as in the marginal sea.